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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 441P095
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2004/000535		U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/542880</b>
INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 22 January 2004		PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 27 January 2003
TITLE OF INVENTION NEAR-INFRARED ABSORBING COMPOUND AND NEAR-INFRARED ABSORBING FILTER USING SAME		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Yasuyuki Kitayama and Shigeo Yamamura		
Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:		
1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. 4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31). 5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto. b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau. c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made. 8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 9. <input type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).		
<b>Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:</b>		
11. <input type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. <input type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. <input type="checkbox"/> A preliminary amendment. 14. <input type="checkbox"/> An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. 15. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification. 16. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. 17. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825. 18. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 20. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:		
1. Copy of the International Search Report; 2. Copy of Form PCT/IB/308 and 304.		

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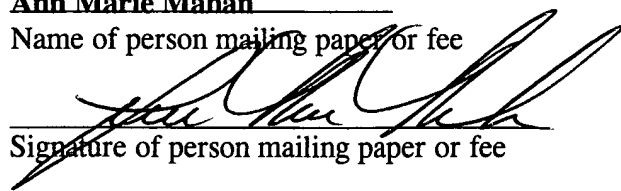
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The above-identified applicants enclose for filing the national phase of a PCT patent application (PCT/JP2004/000535) entitled "NEAR-INFRARED ABSORBING COMPOUND AND NEAR-INFRARED ABSORBING FILTER USING SAME". Said attached PCT patent application includes (1) Transmittal Letter to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) Concerning a Filing Under 35 U.S.C. 371 (2-Pages); (2) Translation of the International Application into English: PCT Request (5-Pages), 37-Page Specification (including 4-Pages of Claims (8) and 1-Page Abstract); (3) Check in the amount of \$1,590.00 in payment of the Filing Fee; (5) Copy of the International Search Report (2-pages); (6) Copy of the Notice Informing the Applicant of the Communication of the International Application to the Designated Offices (Form PCT/IB/308)(1-Page); and (7) Copy of the Notification Concerning Submission of Priority Document (Form PCT/IB/304)(1-Page).

**The executed Declaration will be submitted in due course.**

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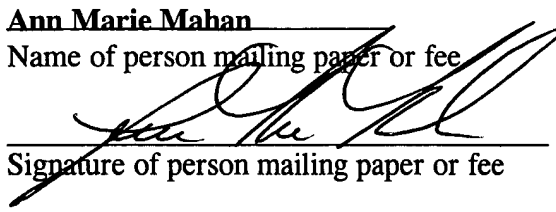
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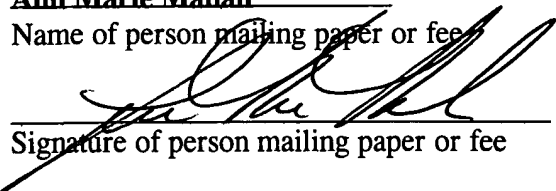
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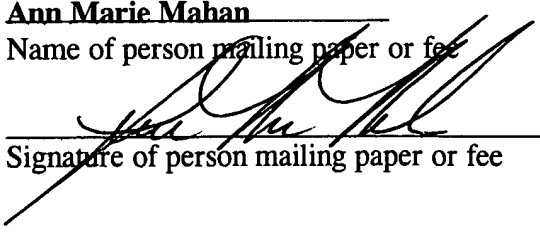
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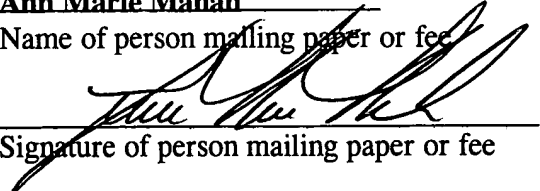
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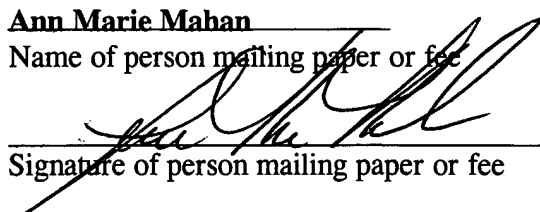
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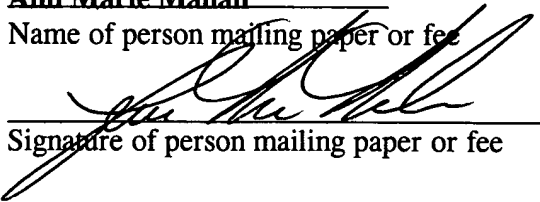
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